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New Look at Worcester Teachers

Seniors Invested On Class Day

On October 11th, the entire student body, faculty, and the guests of the senior class attended the Senior Class Day ceremony. The members of the senior class donned their caps and gowns for the first time. That this was the largest senior class in the history of W.S.T.C. was evident by the fullness of the stage.

The ceremony began as the seniors entered the side doors of the school auditorium. Garbed in traditional black robes, they marched down the outside aisles, men to the left and women to the right. The traditional Processional March accompanied the marchers and served to emphasize the spirit of the ceremony.

Paul E. Sullivan, class of 1958 president, led the assembly in the devotional services, after which he delivered the traditional welcome speech. Following the introduction, President Eugene A. Sullivan capped the senior class officers. John Bullard and Carol Bagdonovitch, the class marshalls, introduced the class officers. Following the capping of the class officers, each student was introduced by the class president. The long procession of seniors filled the stage, creating a picture of proud men and women. Their happiness coincided with that of the parents and friends seated in the auditorium.

Each year, Gamma Chi chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, the national honor society for students and faculty in teachers colleges, introduces its members and invites seniors who have attained scholastic standing in the upper ten percent of the class to join their ranks. This year, Eugenia Pepi, president, and Carol Flynn vice-president welcomed eleven new potential members, pinning each with the society ribbon, signifying his accomplishment.

Following this, Carol Roseen, the class vice-president, read the teachers' creed. The seniors marched in pairs up the center aisle bringing the program to a close.

As in years past, students and invited guests proceeded to the cafeteria for the Senior Tea. Amid attractive lace covered tables laden with delicate cakes and brightly polished silver, hostesses and pourers welcomed and served a large group of guests. This brought a close to a tremendously successful social event.

F. M.

Student National Education Assoc.

On Tuesday, June 25, 1957, an historic meeting took place in Washington, D. C. At this time, the organization formerly known as Future Teachers of America was officially changed to the Student National Education Association. The principal aim of the organization, which is open to all college students, is preparation for participation in the teaching profession.

Here at W.S.T.C., Carole Flynn of the senior class was one of the pioneers in executing the transition from FTA to SNEA. The new organization now known as SNEA was officially founded in the presence of the officials of the National Commission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards who are the "God-parents" of this infant organization.

Some of the highlights of Miss Flynn's stay in Washington included work sessions with the people of NCTEPS on "Developing Sound Personnel Policies and Practices"; all night work sessions spent in clarifying the new constitution of SNEA; visiting the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare; touring the new NEA building; and presenting copies of a resolution favoring the Bill for Federal Aid to School Construction to legislators in Congress. Miss Flynn met with Senator John F. Kennedy and then was taken to the Family Gallery to observe the Senate in action. Later, Representative Harold J. Donohue arranged luncheon for our delegate and a behind-the-

Adjustment To College Life

You have passed the entrance exam, which was difficult; paid your tuition, which was more difficult; and managed somehow to purchase your text books, which was the most difficult of all. Consequently, you are a college freshman, poor but happy. It was a long road and you made it.

However, before you sit back and breathe that sigh of satisfaction, I have some information that may help you to adjust yourself physically and mentally to the responsibility of your newly acquired position. I know just what you are going to say; you're healthy, so that takes care of the physical side of things and you must have

brains or you would not be here. Well, you are off on the wrong track already.

Adjustment, according to **Thorn-like-Barnhart** means, "the orderly arrangement of parts and elements." With this definition in mind, you should try to set up an orderly arrangement of your most

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Present Members of Kappa Delta Pi

Eugenia Pepi, President
Carole Flynn, Vice President
Carol La Fontaine, Secretary
Lois Wennerstrand, Treasurer
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Elaine Davis, Program Chairman
Noreen Arnberg
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New Students

Invited to Membership

Carol Bagdonovitch
William Belanger
Katherine Bergstrom
Maureen Cusson
John Dowling
Jean Frost
Mary Laverdiere
Mary Le Blanc
Elizabeth Ohman
Carol Roseen
Francis Schlosser
Helen Such
Astrid Tolefson

scenes tour of the House of Representatives.

From June 29 through July 5, the students attended the NEA Centennial Celebration in Philadelphia. This must have been an inspirational week working with 20,000 members of the teaching profession on the theme, "An Educated People Moves Freedom Forward." A partial list of guest speakers for that week would include Vice-president Richard Nixon, Senator Kennedy, Senator Neuberger, Senator Mansfield, U. S. Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Marion B. Folsom, NEA President March Shull and Dr. Lawrence, U. S. Commissioner of Education.

In conclusion, W.S.T.C. should feel proud and honored to be among the first of the colleges and universities throughout the country to become an active member of the SNEA. We should also be grateful for the confidence and assistance received from the Massachusetts Teachers' Association which made it possible for our college to be able to send a delegate to the meeting which saw the transition to the SNEA. We only hope that our organization will meet the high standards that have been set by the national organization.

V.J.S.

New York Definitions

AUTOMAT—A juke-box with calories.
ASHTRAY—A small bowl-like object just short of where you drop your ashes.
BABY—A male child under two years; or, any female over eighteen.
CHARACTER—Anyone who acts differently than you.
CLASSICAL MUSIC—Elvis Presley with both legs in a cast.
GROUNDHOG—A women driver.
NIGHTCLUB—A smoker with an amusement tax.

The present seniors of W.S.T.C. left her hallowed halls in June of 1957 with the firm conviction that in three months they would return, as seniors, to the comfortable, familiar routine in the comfortable, familiar building we have come to regard as "ours" in the three happy years we have spent at W.S.T.C. Lo and behold, when September 16 finally rolled around, we found ourselves in a completely changed and different atmosphere. To con an old cliché "Something new has been added to."

As far back as April of 1957 we knew that our gymnasium and locker room were to be replaced by class rooms and offices but the full impact of the change wasn't felt until we turned the corner which would, and should, have led to the gym and found ourselves in strange and new surroundings. Nine new class rooms, five new offices all as modern as the finest of present day buildings. This was progress. The largest freshman class in the history of W. S. T. C. have familiarized themselves with our new "Annex" and strolled through the new and gleaming corridors as nonchalantly as suave and sophisticated seniors. We seniors walked about in a daze as we had done four years before as first day freshmen. Doors which previously had yielded to the touch of a shoulder suddenly were as unyielding as blank walls. This fact caused much embarrassment, many red faces, and dropped books.

Prematurely we felt like "old grads" returning for a twenty-five year reunion to find the "good old ivy covered walls" replaced by shining aluminum and gleaming brick.

"What else is new?" This question was sometimes asked with a bit of fear and trepidation. It was often answered by the pointing of an accusing finger in a southwesterly direction where we found our tenni courts paralleled by what will eventually be a connecting tunnel between W. S. T. C. and "of all things" the oft-talked about, oft-promised new building. We had seen the orange colored steel framework rising slowly as we left in June but the connecting artery seemed to make the new building an established fact. Present plans call for this to be completed by June of '58" or at the latest September of said year. It will include a gymnasium to house the New England Teachers College champion basketball team, a cafeteria to replace our present limited one and more class rooms and offices.

Worcester Teachers is growing, there are several reasons for this growth, the greatest being the need for well qualified, well trained teachers. The second reason for this growth is the work of President Sullivan and the faculty in the production of the type of teacher present day education needs and demands. When principals and superintendents associate with our graduates they realize the excellent preparation they have been given. This leads to urging the Massachusetts Legislature to expand Worcester, that more fine teachers may be ready to meet the ever increasing school enrollment.

We feel that as years pass Worcester will continue to grow both in size and in quality that it may produce for the world the finest of educators to carry on our truly democratic way of life.

CLUB NEWS

Kappa Delta Pi

The aim of Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society, is to bring forth intellectual and personal qualities in the future teachers of America. The faculty advisor of Gamma Chi, the Worcester State Teachers College chapter, is Dr. Elizabeth Barlow. Only qualifying members of the Junior and Senior classes may join.

Men's Athletic Association

The Men's Athletic Association is an organization which promotes and directs the athletic activities of the males. Each year intramural tournaments are held.

Woman's Athletic Association

This organization is to provide the women with recreational, as well as athletic activities. Points are given for taking part in activities. Annually a banquet is held to present awards.

Dramatic Club

Members become acquainted with the technical skill involved in stagecraft and are prepared in speech. There is one major production each year by the members of the Dramatic Club. W.S.T.C. students, as well as students of other colleges, present projects on radio and television.

Glee Club

The Glee Club is composed of both the Men's and Women's Glee Clubs. Anyone interested in music may join. A Christmas Concert and a light music concert highlight the year.

Future Teachers of America

This is a professional organization which aims to help the elementary and secondary students keep up with educational development.

International Relations Club

The I.R.C. is designed to inform its members on both national and international affairs. The activities consist of discussions, guest speakers and panels. Anyone may join.

Geography Club

The goal of the Geography Club is to provide a rich geographical background for its members by bringing about interest in the people and countries of the world.

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EDITORIAL

Welcome Freshmen!

The Acorn extends its congratulations to the largest class ever to patrol the corridors of State Teachers College. It is recognized that the class of 1961 have become members of our rapidly expanding student body only after having successfully competed against many who were not so fortunate as to be accepted.

It is hoped that the Freshmen will feel perfectly at home right from the beginning and will feel free to seek advice from any of the upper classmen, who will be extremely hospitable.

The four years that you are going to spend here will pass as rapidly as a midget auto racer. We hope that you will take advantage of the scholastic attainments within your grasp, and the numerous social, club, and athletic activities which the college offers.

COLLEGE CAMPUS LIFE

We have taken it upon ourselves to give the less fortunate a glimpse of the gala social events of our school calendar. The first soiree that we had the honor to attend was "The Red Drop Hop" sponsored by the Varicose Society. May we add that it was a real bloody success. The purpose of the dance was to raise funds for their annual blood letting drive.

The Laboratory was overflowing last night as couples danced to the liquid music of Les Anemic and his Pale Four. The guests seemed to enjoy "The Transfusion Tango" and "The Jugular Jump." Lovely redheaded Aorta, band vocalist, gave a thumping rendition of "Hemophiliac Blues" which raised everyone's blood pressure.

The decorations were very clever. Suspended from the ceiling was a huge heart which beat convincingly 70 times a minute. From the heart were suspended many red streamers which were supposed to represent capillaries and arteries. The effect was one of intense realism unless, of course, one has never danced in this vein.

Even the refreshments were connected with the theme of the dance. A corps of nurses served intravenously from the magnificently decorated tables arranged artistically around the floor. Blood flowed like water. Miss Leech, head nurse, poured.

Highlight of the evening was the entertaining mixer, "Find Your Type." The game is a simple one, each person is supplied with a small knife or razor blade, and a vial. Into this vial the player bleeds, then runs around trying to find a someone with the same kind of blood. Many lasting R.H. friendships were formed. One of the two survivors of the game was heard to remark, "This is lots more fun than Russian Roulette."

The Varicose Society extends heartfelt thanks to the Undertakers League for mopping up so thoroughly after the dance.

A.F.M. & L.T.T.

THE STUDENTS' SIDE

This column appears in each issue of the school newspaper for the express purpose of informing the student body of the work of the Student Advisory Council.

With the increased enrollment of students, and the enlargement of the college plant, the Council is faced with new problems relative to expansion. Plans must be made for the supervision and maintenance of the Student-Faculty lounge and new cafeteria in the college annex.

During the first few weeks of school, the work of the Council has been concerned with routine business matters, the issuance of Handbooks, identification cards, and the supervision of the election of the delegates to the Swampscott Conference.

Each class elected a member to attend the Conference which was held the 8th and 9th of October. The theme of this Conference was, "How Can Teacher Preparation Institutions Meet Their Intellectual Responsibilities More Effectively?" The discussions proved to be of value and highly interesting as can be seen by the resumes given by the delegates at assembly meetings.

Eugenia Pepi,
President, SAC

Book Review COMPULSION

By Meyer Levin

COMPULSION is a novel concerning the remarkable and unbelievable Leopold-Loeb case. For anyone not familiar with this story, Leopold and Loeb were brilliant, immensely wealthy eighteen year-old University of Chicago graduates, who together, planned the kidnapping and murder of a little boy and attempted to obliterate the sex and identity of the body before hiding it and then proceeded to collect the ransom.

The boys claimed that their crime was "a crime of supermen" and believed that they would never be apprehended. It had been intended to be a perfect crime and to prove their heartless cruelty, they even recorded what feelings of guilt and remorse they had, and reprimanded each other for them.

Meyer Levin, in retelling this story, has tried to discover the true psychology behind it, and has attempted to enter into the thoughts and passions of the two criminals, to understand how and why two boys—one of them handsome and popular, the other quiet and scholarly, both from reputable families—were capable of so monstrous an act.

This book is very educational and helpful in the field of psychology and psychiatry, while for the layman, it is interesting and enjoyable reading.

This article is the first in a series of book reviews that will appear in this column.

Arlene Ocken.

BETTER SCHOOLS BUILD



BETTER COMMUNITIES

Faulty Faults

The average person in today's serious and fearful population has almost completely lost his sense of humor. Man has allowed his mind to be saturated with ghosts — of tradition, of social position, of wars and death. No longer does he see and appreciate what is truly humorous. The fact that man has lost his humor is itself humorous. It it with this in mind that I am writing this column and it is my hope and purpose, if it be acceptable, to continue the "humor" in subsequent issues.

J. M.

Not too many years ago in the hidden valley of Conformity, beneath the shadow of Little Stone mountain, there lived a fiery Scottish clan of the name McFaubus. For many years the clan had lived with perfect harmony within their family. But as time passed two great and weighty problems reared themselves before the clan. The first problem was this. For a few years before the time of our story there had been a growing belief among the servants of the McFaubus' that they should be allowed to drink from the well of their masters, which in truth was the purest. This, to the eyes of the clan, (who believed in the segregation of wells) was ridiculous. The second problem was a more universal one. The top of Mt. Little Stone had always been a danger to birds flying South for the winter as the top could not be seen because of the clouds and so had become the last resting place of innumerable of our feathered friends. Recently there had been an undeclared race between the McFaubus clan of Conformity Valley and the McRed clan who lived on the other side of Little Stone mountain in Lower Siberia to see who could first set up a beacon on the very top of Little Stone to warn the birds of the danger they faced. It had become a question of family prestige.

These two problems became intermixed in the fate of the people of Conformity calley and their eventual destruction—but let me tell you the sad story.

One fine spring day a carrier pigeon flew in from the penthouse in the world capitol of Washtown bearing word of a momentous decision handed down by the exalted board of directors. Namely that, starting in the fall housecleaning session, all people could take water from any well they wanted (you see, Washtown had been keeping a close watch on the situation in Little Stone Mountain area.) The Elder McFaubus, Orville, by name (who was a brilliant well-educated man) didn't think this was right. And so he devised a scheme to not only fool the board of directors, but also to gain more prestige in his own clan. The day before the fall housecleaning program was to begin, he placed his town militia around the best well, stating that this was to protect the servants from the wrath of the citizens. Orville's militia, however, did not carry out protection, but rather prevention.

This, of course, caused a stir in Washtown and the present king, a "gent" named McIke, decided he had better put old Orville McFaubus back in line; and so McIke took over the militia and had them escort the nine servants willing to run the risk of ostracism directly to and from the well.

McFaubus flustered and McIke blustered and everyone yelled, "Foul"! They were so concerned with their problem of segregation of wells that no one noticed that

all the birds flying South were avoiding the deadly peak of Little Stone mountain. Then came a messenger from Lower Siberia announcing triumphantly that the race to put up a beacon for the birds had been won by the McReds. Sure enough, three days later the clouds surrounding Little Stone lifted for a moment, just long enough to give the McFaubuses a glance at the beacon—which somewhat resembled a miniature moon. What a blow to the pride of the McFaubus clan, who were acknowledged the wisest, most brilliant people in the world.

You would no doubt expect the people of Conformity to realize their mistakes and give the McReds the praise and congratulations due them for their great accomplishment. But, alas, they did not. Instead they planned, under the able direction of Orville McFaubus, how to destroy the McRed "moon" and re-establish their position of superiority.

The rest of my story is too sad and too bloody to go into detail but I will outline it in general. All the people in the whole land of McFaubus set out under Orville's guidance to destroy the McRed "moon." But just as all the people were walking up the one narrow path to the summit of Little Stone mountain, the wicked Giorgi McRed released the cables holding the "moon" in place and sent it crashing down the mountain, crushing every last McFaubus beneath it.

And so ends the story of McFaubus.

JOHN J. MANNING

Interlude

A time between,
Longer yet than all before and after.
A few short hours
Lengthened into days and months and ages;
Moments left for thought divorced from laughter.

An interlude:
An unconscious birth, a hope's formation.
Some moments gained
Lending worth to acts and hopes forgotten;
Leading lastly to some great creation.

J. J. M.

Current Events

This is the story of a political demagogue or what is commonly called a dictator. In the 1930's Huey Long reared his ugly head until an assassin's bullet closed out his political and physical life; in the 1940's Hitler said that he would further the cause of the people of Germany, and we are all familiar with the road he travelled; and now in the Fabulous Fifties the same pattern is being followed by the Governor of the State of Arkansas, Orval B. Faubus.

Here is an elected official of a State, elected by the majority of a people, who is attempting to further the cause of the minority of people, the bigoted segregationists. It is an obvious attempt to further his own political life but Faubus cloaks it as an issue of forced integration. "You cannot change a way of life by legislation," is the argument of Faubus and his mobs, yet the Civil War was fought nearly 100 years ago for the same issue, oppression of the basic civil rights of a minority of people. Thank God we still have a democracy where such an event can take place. In Russia, for example, if an elected official, if there are any, tried the same thing he would ultimately be shot or transported to the frozen wastes of Siberia to mull over his future.

The President used considerable tact and patience with Governor Faubus in an attempt to make him see his mistakes in his handling of the affair. Then came the ultimatum to Faubus to either call off the National Guard preventing integration or to use them to enforce the Supreme Court's Decision requiring integration of public schools. The ultimatum went unneeded and the National Government moved swiftly. As a result we now have Federal troops escorting nine Negro children to classes in Little Rock's Central High School.

This democracy of ours is based on the Constitution, the Amendments to the Constitution, and the interpretation of the Constitution by the Supreme Court. It can be

no other way or our democracy will be destroyed. Referring to the Supreme Court's decision, a momentous one indeed, Faubus contends that Little Rock needs more time to integrate, yet the School Board of that city had made tentative plans to begin integration this year on a limited scale. Many other Arkansas communities already have some integrated schools and yet the Governor feels that Little Rock needs more time, and he calls the mobs to support him in his one man crusade against the law of the land. Without this law anarchy would run rampant and mob rule would be our democracy.

The Little Rock situation is just what the Russian propagandists have been looking for. The Kremlin is chortling with glee at our sorry dilemma. They are picturing our free land as a land of civil strife and they are doing this in a remarkable manner. Headlines in many foreign lands proclaim the fact that we condone such actions—and they may be right. It took the President plenty of time to make his move, but what these headlines fail to note is that we are a lenient government. That is to say that Governor Faubus could have withdrawn his troops and faded out of the picture gracefully, however, he chose not to. The damage to our international relations has been done by Faubus and his mobs. Never before have the Russians had such fodder for their cannon of untruth.

Donald McGrath.

Adjustment

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precious element, time. How your time is divided may very well be the difference between success and failure in college.

Naturally, studies come first. In addition to your regular studies, you will find it necessary to spend several hours a week doing research for themes, term papers, or compositions. Nevertheless, you will have the time for extra-curricular activities. Clubs and organizations, dances and parties, plays and athletic events make leisure hours very enjoyable.

The third and perhaps most vital division of your time is not always recognized as such. Sleep a major factor in physical as well as mental alertness, is too often sacrificed. It may be that paper which is due tomorrow. You had three weeks notice but you waited and stayed up until 4 a.m. writing it. Or perhaps the dance wasn't enough so you went to a party afterwards. You'll catch up on your sleep tomorrow. Oh but you can't. There's another party to go to. Wake up and start getting the proper amount of sleep.

Now that you have an idea of what is in store for you during the coming year, you are on your own. Remember that you came to college to obtain an education and to participate in the social activities of the school, but don't lose sleep over either of them. Who knows, you may be a sophomore some day. Time alone will tell.

This is just the place for that old adage, "Do as I say—not as I do."

John F. Gaumond

CLUB NEWS

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The Students Public Relations Association

The aim of this organization is to bring the achievements of the students before the public. The members of the club which include class officers, class marshals, editor of the school publication, president of the Student Advisory Council, and presidents of the clubs send the news of elections, sports and other activities to the students local newspaper.

The Robert W. Fox Memorial Debating Society

The Robert W. Fox Memorial Society enables students who enjoy oral expression to work together. Debates on the national intercollegiate debate topic are held with colleges in the surrounding area.

Audio Visual Aids Association

The aim of this club is to help students recognize the various types of equipment. After learning how to operate the machines, students will be licensed members.

Number 1 on our album list is Frank Sinatra (Naturally). The Voice does many great standards such as "Laura," "There's No You," and "Maybe You'll Be There." The album is entitled "Where Are You?" Sorta like terrific!

A repeat performance by Ella Fitzgerald and Satchmo Armstrong. The album is called "Ella and Louie Again." One of the highlights is "Stompin' at the Savoy."

Our Boys The Four Laddies sing "The Songs of Frank Loesser." One of the best songs is "Slow Boat to China." Way out from Wowville!!!

For our highbrow fans we've got a novel album entitled "Around the World Every 96 Minutes" by Nikolai Sputnik. It has its good points.

See you next issue if you survive the Asian Flu.

A. M. and L. L.

Science Club

The goal of the Science Club is to broaden the interest of its members in the field of science. The activities of the club include films, guest speakers and field trips.

Turn Table Talk

"Renewing old acquaintances is a pleasantry
When talk and drink flow freely."

Maturation of the Spirit
by Apollo and Lynus Keroseres.

We certainly can't supply the drink but as far as talk goes WE'RE LOADED!!! No finer way to initiate this year's column than to praise Mr. Pat Boone's "April Love." It comes from the movie of the same name. It's backed up by an oldie "When the Swallows Come Back to Capistrano." Good Investment. That Barber has done it again! The ballad with a collegiate twist, "Ivy Rose" and the up-tempo "Just Born."

Worcester's adopted son, Jerry Vale sings "Pretend You Don't See Her." Par Excellence.

Our nomination for the most obnoxious record of the month is Mrs. Edward Fisher's "I'm All Grown Up." She ought to stick to being the untalented mother that she is and let her husband do the singing.

Nice to see Billy (Williams, that is) making records again. His "Got a Date With an Angel" as well as "Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter" are ranking among the winners.

This new craze, the Chalypso, has hit the Ames Bros. We must admit "Melodie D'Armour" is good listening.

Frankie-Boy shows off his great talent by singing "All the Way" from his latest movie, "The Joker is Wild." This record is a two-sided wonder with the flip side "Chicago," sung only as the great Sinatra can.

We find it impossible to be loyal to the entire Boone family. Nick Todd's version of "Plaything" is mediocre minus. We'll vote for Ted Newman's record anyway.

It's entirely against our principles but we like "Silhouette" by the Rays. Like all R&R songs it's got a good beat and repetitious lyrics.

GO!!

GO!!

LANCERS

THE JAZZ SCENE

By DANA STRAIGHT

Jazz as an art idiom is at its zenith of popularity. It is also one of the most controversial forms of music on the scene today. This was pointedly illustrated at the 1957 American Jazz Festival at Newport, Rhode Island.

Here, where the famous and infamous of the jazz world meet annually, controversy was ever present — the old versus the new, Dixieland versus the so-called West Coast Progressive.

It's the BEAT that does it.

Since 1954, jazz has experienced the most quantitative active period in its history. There have been more jazz recordings and more night club and concert tours specializing in jazz than ever before. Co-existing as integral parts of the contemporary jazz scene—are New Orleans style, Dixieland, Swing, West Coast Progressive and individual leaders of varying directions in modern jazz. All these groups, for example, intend to swing, to pulsate, to play with and between and over the meter. All, in short, realize to some degree they are part of a rich, viable tradition that can be most valuably enriched by those who know and understand the contributions that have been made before them.

Jazz actually started and received its roots in the pre-Civil War days.

This popular style of music started as a form of spiritual singing. The people sang this type of music in the fields while they were working. Spreading into a particular section of New Orleans, called Storyville, jazz was accepted as being born. Storyville in this era was quite a notorious spot. It was noted for its emporiums of ill fame and its night life. The year 1917 marked the closing of Storyville by the military authorities, with the aid of other government agencies. This was due to the inability of the authorities to gain the cooperation of the operators in abolishing certain objectionable services. With the closing of Storyville, musicians like King Oliver, Turk Murphy, Kid Ory, Sidney Bechet, Bunk Johnson, George Lewis and Jerry Roll Morton migrated to Chicago. This occasion marked the first time that jazz had come out of confinement in New Orleans. Shortly afterwards, it began to spread when Abe Brunis, an original from Storyville, began playing in different areas throughout the country and another musician, Turk Murphy, headed for the West Coast. There came variations in styles when white musicians began playing with the colored

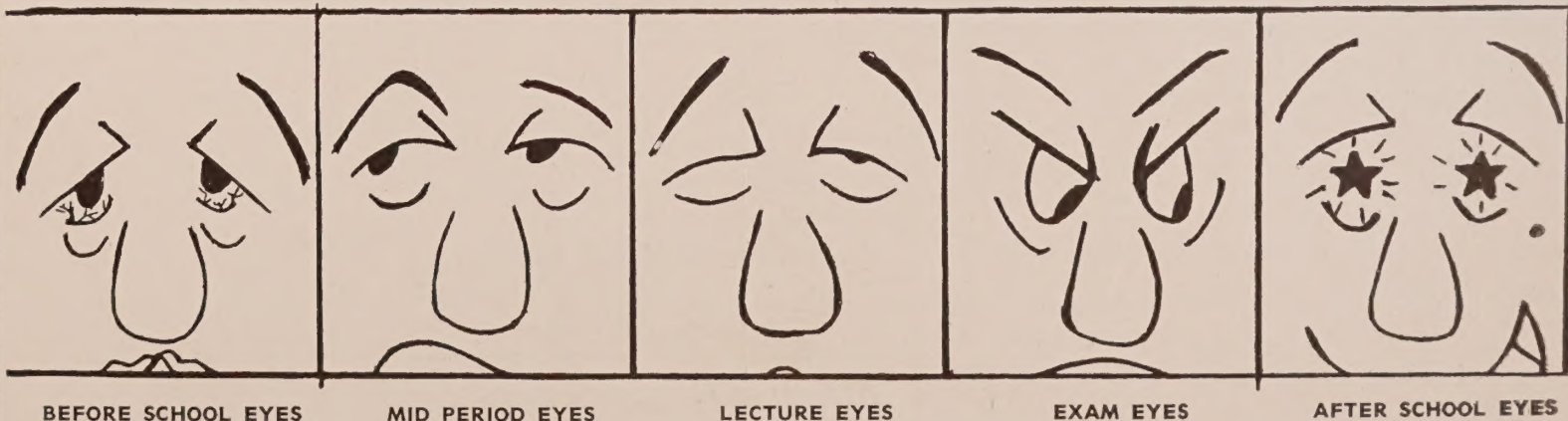
groups. Red Nichols was one of the first to do this and later organized his own small band namely "Red Nichols and his Five Pennies."

With the coming of the big bands there came a split in jazz. There were the conservative bands of Paul Whiteman (father of the big bands) the first all white group, Glen Gray and his Casa Loma Orchestra, Larry Clinton and Ben Bernie as opposed to the big band "jazzers" Ben Pollack, Fletcher Henderson and Jimmy Lunceford to mention just a few.

Next on the scene was the era of swing with such greats as Benny Goodman, who was one of the first to hit the big time, and the Dorsey Brothers, who were at that time playing with Paul Whiteman's orchestra. The Dorseys later left Whiteman to form their own band and eventually broke up to form individual bands. From here we go to the 40's with Glen Miller, Ray Noble and a cast of many others, which brings us up to the present. Today we have the progressive groups of Dave Brubeck, Chico Hamilton, Gerry Mulligan and Bud Freeman with Brubeck leading the aggregation.

The above account is just an introduction to future articles to appear in this column.

Dana Straight



The Kernel Says

The "Kernel Says:" is a sports column that was instituted last year. The main purpose of the column is to report to you on all the athletic events at Worcester State Teachers College, and also we try to bring you some of the most important professional and college sporting news.

This column in reporting on the sporting events at W.S.T.C. tries to introduce or spark a bit of enthusiasm or interest into you, the student body of the college, in the teams that represent you, State Teachers College at Worcester. These are your teams, your classmates, your friends, so let's support them.

Braves Beat Yankees

The Milwaukee (sigh, Boston) Braves turned the tables on the vaunted New York Yankees in the most thrilling seven game World Series in quite some time.

It was a combination of superb Braves pitching and timely hitting that gave Fred Haney's Braves the championship over Casey "the old professor" Stengel's Yankees.

Lew Burdett and Hank Aaron led the Braves in their quest for the World's championship.

Burdett tied a World Series record as he won three of the four Braves' victories, and was complete master of the Yankee batters.

Hank Aaron led both teams at bat as he had a series average of .383 and hit three homeruns in the seven game series.

This was the city of Milwaukee's first World Championship and it was bursting at the seams (of the vats) with excitement.

When the champions arrived in Milwaukee after the seventh game there was a question as to whether the parade in their honor was going to be held in automobiles or boats with the way the beer was flowing in that city. The city was in complete chaos that first night and for a week after, as the feverish pitch of the excitement of finally, after five years, winning the World's Championship was at its boiling point. The Braves had won it and Milwaukee fans certainly showed their appreciation in a big way.

THE 1957 FOOTBALL SEASON

The 1957 football season is in full swing now as it sweeps into its fifth big week.

At the date of this writing Holy Cross had a record of 2-1-1 and was showing signs of being a strong team.

Boston College, Holy Cross arch rival, after being ruined by powerful Navy, bounced back to win three straight games and was proving to be a powerful team.

It appears now that the game between these rivals in November will be a hard, close fight between two strong teams, and also it should be a game with plenty of thrills and plenty of football.

Notre Dame, after having its worst season in the school's history last year, this year has the spark and fight of previous Notre Dame greats. They have won three straight to this date, the last one against the Army, probably will stand out as the most thrilling game of the year. In this game, played at Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium before 90,000 cheering fans, Notre Dame came from behind to beat Army by the score of 23-21 when Sickles split the uprights with a 27-yd. field goal with just minutes remaining in the game. In the game, Notre Dame under coach Terry Brennan, again looked like the "Fighting Irish" teams of old.

Winter Sports Beginning

Although this is still October the professional winter sports seasons have already begun. The Boston Celtics and the Boston Bruins appear to be even stronger than last year. At this point of the season it is dangerous to pick champions but the Kernel has decided to go out on a limb and predicts that the Boston Celtics will repeat as the World Champions in basketball, and that the Boston Bruins will go all the way and become the champs in hockey.

Now, if we could just get the Red Sox into the spirit of things Massachusetts would be a great sports center. That's all for this issue. So long!

"Champs" Open Dec. 4

The W. S. T. C. basketball "champions" open their 1957-58 basketball season Dec. 4. The first game on the schedule is against the Rhode Island College of Education. The lancers had a fairly easy time of it against R. I. C. E. last year, but they will run up against a vastly improved team this year with many of the regulars of last season returning. Our pick is Worcester.

Worcester also will be handicapped by the fact that the new gymnasium being built will not be completed till the fall of 1958. As of now, there is no knowledge of any gym available for practices and for W. S. T. C. home games. Mr. Elger, coach of the champs, plans to start practice the first week in November. Due to several difficulties, it is believed that practice will be held at night.

Another handicap for the champs is the loss of co-captain, Paul (Dipper) King and Paul Welcome. King had been a standout on the Lancers in his freshman and sophomore years, taking team high scoring honors each year. Welcome also was a standout as a freshman last year on the title winning team.

This year's team will be led by vets captain "Berger" McDevitt, senior, Bob and Bill Dunne, juniors, Nunny George and Bennie O'Leary, sophomores; it is hoped to be strengthened by the addition of some promising freshman talent. Let's hope the boys keep up the good work and take the championship again in 1957-58. Good luck Lancers!

Also let's not forget that the Student Activity Fee covers all the home games. It won't cost you a cent to root for your favorite team and everyone knows that any team needs a lot of support. Let's not let the boys down; they deserve 100% support from the entire student body and faculty. We all have a team to be proud of.

Schedule:	
Dec. 4,	Rice at Worcester
Dec. 7,	Keene at Keene
Dec. 10,	Westfield at Westfield
Dec. 12,	Lowell at Worcester
Dec. 16,	Assumption at Assumption
Jan. 3,	Rice at Rice
Jan. 7,	Boston at Boston
Jan. 9,	Fitchburg at Worcester
Jan. 14,	Salem at Salem
Jan. 16,	Westfield at Worcester
Jan. 30,	Willimantic at Worcester
Feb. 4,	Fitchburg at Fitchburg
Feb. 6,	Keene at Worcester
Feb. 11,	Lowell at Lowell
Feb. 13,	Boston at Worcester
Feb. 14,	Assumption at Worcester

LANCERS TO PRACTICE AT CHANDLER ST. JR. HIGH

Sea, surging out beyond my sight
Your icy spells distort my fears
I stand alone, my soul in flight
The mounting pressure forces tears.
Each wave leaps forth, laughs and breaks,
Another and another takes its place.
Endless as the sea of life, of mocking fools,
Of lashing tongues, of ridicules.

Success never rides wings of ease
But it insensitive to mocking pleas.
So be thee victim aware of this,
Beware the critical abyss.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

Well, here we are, back again this year after a wonderful summer. Our class is already divided into elementary and secondary sections. There are four elementary sections and two secondary sections. In previous years this division has occurred in the Junior year.

We sincerely hope that the transfer students to the sophomore class are now getting along alright. From what I heard they were somewhat confused at first.

The sophomore class officers are as follows: Stanley "Gerry" Nelson, president; Mary O'Gorman, vice-pres.; Florence Gure, secretary; Donald McGrath, treasurer. The members of the Student Council are: Joan Bruazis and Mertyle Trembly.

The Welcome Freshman Dance, sponsored by the sophomore class, was held in the May Street School gymnasium on Friday, October 3, 1957. The dance was well attended. We sincerely hope that everyone had a good time at the dance. We would like to thank: Miss O'Donnell, Miss Smith, Dr. Riordon, Dr. William Sullivan, and Dean Shea who acted as chaperones at the dance.

Our skit, which was presented on October 9, consisted of two parts. In the first part the sophomore girls presented a "mad" hat show. In the second part of the skit the sophomore boys presented a murder mystery with commercials. By the way, what was the name of that beer again?

The Swampscott delegate from the sophomore class was John Manning. On October 15, he gave an interesting talk on the trip in as-

Through Hornrimmer Glasses

The people who know me will tell you that I'm the last person who would ever kill a party and I've believed that a person should be able to do what he wants to do with what he has. Don't get me wrong, I'm strictly the 'live and let live' type, but holy shades of Tom McGrain, this jazz that Mike Todd put on is ridiculous.

At an age when brotherly love and the golden rule is at its complete height, guys should be able to find better things to do with their bucks. I'm sure that East Podunk could use a new east wing to Memorial Grammar or that the Society for Aged Audagio Dancers could use a shot in the arm. Seriously, it was just a plain waste.. To put it into language that Secondaries can understand, this is like throwing away Nick Pacella's

system or setting fire to Frank Crimmin's bank book. I'm not trying to get you all in a revival meeting attitude but lets face it there are a lot of people in this world that need a free tuna fish sandwich more than Walter Cronkite needs overtime or Eva Maxwell needs champagne. Of course this is just one guy's opinion and nobody ever listened to me in the past so I don't suppose that I'll be getting any demands for a retraction. I still say that P. T. Barnum put on a better circus and I always preferred popcorn to champagne.

We could look at it in a different light. Elsa said that Mike showed imagination and charm with this party. Maybe when I start showing imagination and charm I'll have a Liz to come home to also. The program did serve one purpose. It gave me a chance to figure out that the \$3.49 in my pocket should carry me through the week end if I don't go to any parties.

"US GIRLS"

By Jean Jackola

In past years, we have been fortunate to hold our activities during noon hour. This proved to be very successful. We are however forced to discontinue this schedule, due to the obvious absence of a gymnasium.

It was suggested that the association hire an outside gym and hold sports after school. This idea was temporarily discarded when it was noted that other years the attendance at our after school activities was very low. It did not seem worthwhile to hire a gym for the benefit of a handful of girls. (If, however, at some future time interest is great enough to warrant such a rental, the board will reconsider.)

It was agreed that bowling seemed to be the most popular sport, according to a recent sports poll of the female student.

After a few practice sessions, teams will be organized for those interested in competing. The WAA has in past years shared the expense of bowling, and will contribute even more this season.

Florence Gure and LouAnne Warner are the co-heads of the sport. Try to attend; no special talents are necessary. Miss Dorothy Stafford, our advisor, has kindly offered "to instruct all girls who bowl below 71½." Plan to join us!

Your W.A.A. officers for the year are:

Acting President and Vice President, Jean Jackola; Secretary, Jean Allen; Treasurer, Vickie Jarvis.

The board members are soon to be elected. Be thinking of activities you would like to have sponsored—and "shine up your bowling shoes. You'll be stepping out!"

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We were very sorry to hear that Joe Shaughnessy was in the hospital. By the time this paper is in print we hope that Joe will be out of the hospital. His ready wit and his friendly nature is missed by many sophomores.

We will be back in the next issue.

B.Q., F.S., J.D.